



Carlos Oliver Benjamin

March 20, 1940 - September 29, 2019

No obituary found for this tribute.

Cemetery Details

Ferncliff Crematory

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Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Brooks Memorial Home Inc.
275 Warburton Avenue
Yonkers, NY 10701

Service

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Tribute Wall

KB

“ My dad, my *WORLD*, on earth and now in the gates of Heaven !!!
When I think of my Dad I feel every emotion; I laugh, cry, I become happy and sad all at the same time... why? because he left me with so many good memories, he taught me so much, he had knowledge and a joke to share every time we spoke!!!!sad? we won't talk on the phone anymore. *BUT* I know he is within me and he is still giving me guidance to continue to utilize the principles and morals he instilled in me.

Growing up as a child I was blessed to be raised by MY DAD, MR. CARLOS O. BENJAMIN. He taught me to play every steel drum but as a child my main drum was the tenor. He would take me to work with him @ Graham school, Leake and Watts, NYC Mission Cadet Corps just to name a few; and no matter where I was and what age limit of steel band students I was playing with (and everyone one of them were much older than me), If he needed me to fill in for a student he would say "Mousiey"(my nickhame), please play the cellos, base, etc. My Dad, MR. BENJAMIN, always expected the best from me ; he would say "YOU ARE A BENJAMIN"..... I would say to myself "if my Daddy thinks I can do it than I KNOW I CAN DO IT!!!!!" and I never failed him.

My Dad held a position of a MUSIC TEACHER but my Dad taught his students so much more than music; throughout their lives he built a rapport with many of them and they remained a frugal part my dads life. My dad instilled CONFIDENCE in his students. How do I know? because I've had the pleasure of having a growing relationship with many of them as well . words spoken by "LINDA MORRIS - PICKETT "he was my encouragement @ Graham to do better and thanks to MR. BENJAMIN's love, I'm living my BEST LIFE" !!!

*DADDY I WILL ALWAYS and FOREVER LUV U 4 FREE!!!!
MUWAH!!*

Karla Benjamin - October 12, 2019 at 12:39 PM

LH

“ *RIP Carlos Benjamin
You were a good friend
Always willing to listen and counsel
Your family has my condolences and prayers*

Laura Hamilton - October 07, 2019 at 04:52 PM

DC

“ *If there was ever a girl that loved her Father it is Karla Benjamin and for that reason my heart goes out to you and your family. I will keep you and your family in my prayers. S.I.P MR. BENJAMIN and thanks for all the encouragement you gave me when i was growing up!*

Dwayne Cloud - October 07, 2019 at 12:52 PM

KB

Thank you Dwayne Cloud! Luv u 4 Free!! Karla

Karla Benjamin - October 12, 2019 at 10:58 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Carlos Oliver Benjamin.*



October 06, 2019 at 09:47 PM

DH

“ Our deepest condolences to the Benjamin family on your loss. Our wish for you at this time is one of peace and comfort as you celebrate the life of your loved one.

With Love,
David and Kim Harbison
Franchise Freight

David Harbison - October 06, 2019 at 09:40 PM

AN

“ I had the very fortunate opportunity of working with Carlos O. Benjamin at Leake and Watts Home for Children in Yonkers, NY, and again at Graham School for Children in Hastings-on-Hudson, NY. He was the Steel Drums Instructor/Teacher. He demanded perfection and therefore all of his students learned how to play their drum to a level of perfection. All of my students loved him, and enjoyed being in his class.

Carlos was a friend and he will truly be missed. I just wanted to take this time to let you know how sorry I am for the family. Please accept my sympathy in this time of sadness and loss

Sincerely,

Andre' Henry

Andre' - October 04, 2019 at 01:59 PM

KB

Thank you for sharing your kind words and thoughts!

Karla Benjamin - October 12, 2019 at 11:00 AM



“ I knew him as Mr. Benjamin, the Steel Drums teacher - but he was way more than that. Carlos Benjamin was a very gentle soul. One day he comforted me sympathetically as I had had a bad day. I saw the patience in him. I also saw the strength of the leader in him. Several years later, he told me that he had seen me on TV; I had appeared on some talk show. Up until 2014, I hadn't seen Carlos in many years, but I always remembered him; I take this time to remember him once again. Oh, I know that the Halls of Heaven are now ringing with the beautiful music of his steel drums! Thanks, Carlos. For everything. Walk with our Lord as He bestows you with His eternal blessings!

*Eric Mouzon, Alumnus,
Graham School, 1973-'76*

Rick Mouzon - October 03, 2019 at 10:19 PM

KB

Thank you Eric! I'm sure my dad would have appreciated your truth. Amen!

Karla Benjamin - October 12, 2019 at 11:04 AM

MS

“ In my memory Carlos was a huge personality and kind in spirit. He always had a way of improving the day with his easygoing ways. He was a friend I was happy to meet at Graham. Rest in peace dear heart & kind man.

Ms.K - October 03, 2019 at 05:10 PM

LM

“ My Dearest friend/father, I will miss our weekly conversations about everything! I love you, you will forever be in my heart. My deepest condolences to the family! Keeping you all in prayer 🙏.

linda morris - October 03, 2019 at 04:49 PM

KB

He loved you too Linda!!! AND I luv you 4 Free!!

Karla Benjamin - October 12, 2019 at 11:06 AM

FJ

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Carlos Oliver Benjamin*



faye jones - October 03, 2019 at 03:10 PM

KB

Thank you Miss Jones!

Karla Benjamin - October 12, 2019 at 11:04 AM

DH

“ *Sleep in Peace Mr. Benjamin.. Your memory is forever etched in my heart.*

Debbie Hamilton - October 03, 2019 at 02:20 PM

CA

“ *7 files added to the album Memories*



Carolyn - October 03, 2019 at 01:27 PM

CA

“ 7 files added to the album Memories Album



Carolyn - October 03, 2019 at 01:19 PM

CA

“ *I met Carlos when I was in high school living at Leake and Watts in the late 1960's. Carlos taught me how to play the steel drums. He could play ten drums at once and know which kid was off beat! He was a hard teacher, but the kids loved him and proved it through the quality of their music and performances. He was a lot of fun! When I graduated from college and started teaching at Graham Home for Children, Carlos was there too, teaching and touching more young lives! By this time I can tell you that Carlos was a real colleague and friend, both on and off the job. We shared a LOT of good times together! We laughed together, worked together and sometimes partied together! I will always remember Carlos for his kind heart, warm smile, big personality and his love and passion for sharing his gift of music through his steel drums. Rest In Peace my Brother! Your Leake and Watts AND Graham Family will always remember you!*

Carolyn Paige Henry

Carolyn - October 03, 2019 at 12:17 PM

KB

Thank you Carolyn for sharing the LUV that my Dad embraced you with. He was a Music TEACHER yes indeed but he taught so much more than music to any and all that came in contact with my Dad!!! Luv you 4 Free!!!

Karla Benjamin - October 12, 2019 at 11:10 AM

FJ

“ *My deepest sympathy to the Benjamin family. Love to all. May God keep each of you in his perfect peace.*

faye jones - October 02, 2019 at 11:02 PM

FJ

“ *Carlos-thank you for being my friend for over forty years. You never missed calling me on my birthday. However, I would call you on the wrong day of yours. You would always laugh. May you Rest In Peace. Your friend, Faye Jones.*

faye jones - October 02, 2019 at 09:29 PM